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FCC Form 471 Application Numbers: 171049152, 171049160

When it was discovered that we had missed the filing deadline, we were informed by Universal Service Administrative Company to complete the application process which included the appropriate waiting period. Then we were told to request a filing waiver from the FCC for the above mentioned FCC Form 471 applications.

The opportunity to file in a timely manner was not intentional but it was the result of the untimely exit of a key member of the administrative staff. Their departure created a massive backlog of assignments to reviewed or completed as well as numerous errors to be undone. Many of which were not uncovers until after the deadline had passed. It was in that frenzy that the filing deadline was missed. Therefore, we graciously ask that a waiver for the filing deadline be granted.

If you require any addition information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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